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RE: 373 Permit for NWIRP Calverton, New York.
EPA ID #NYD003995198

Dear Mr. Colter:

Enclosed is a copy of the Part 373 Permit (revised in accordance with comments received during the public notice period and additional changes made by this Department) for your review and comment.

It is anticipated that the permit will be revised only if there are major objections, or problems with the content. In an effort to issue the permit in a timely manner, and initiate the corrective action for the site, a limited time has been scheduled for your review. Please submit your comments on or before April 17, 2000.

If you have any questions concerning these documents, or submission of comments on the permit, please contact me at (631) 444-0367.

Sincerely,

A large, stylized handwritten signature of John A. Wieland, which is written over the typed name and title.

John A. Wieland
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**Responsiveness Summary
for the Draft 373 Permit for
NWIRP Calverton
Calverton, New York
Suffolk County**

INTRODUCTION

This document prepared pursuant to 6 NYCRR 621.9(e) contains the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation's (NYSDEC) response to public comments received during the comment period on the draft Part 373 Permit for NWIRP Calverton in Calverton, New York.

BACKGROUND

On January 19, 2000, notice was provided to the public that the former Naval Weapons Industrial Reserve Plant (NWIRP) Calverton facility formerly known as the Grumman-Calverton facility located in Suffolk County, New York had submitted a complete 373 permit application and that the draft Part 373 permit was available for public review and comment. The public comment period ended on March 6, 2000. NYSDEC intends to issue the draft 373 permit for the purpose of implementing RCRA corrective action at NWIRP Calverton in Calverton, New York.

The NYSDEC received one (1) set of comments on the draft 373 permit. These comments were submitted by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency March 6, 2000 in a letter from James Reidy, P.E., Chief, New York Section, RCRA Programs Branch to Mr. John A. Wieland, Deputy Regional Permit Administrator, NYSDEC Region 1 Office, Division of Environmental Permits.

This document includes the comments, the NYSDEC responses and reasons for any changes to the draft 373 permit that will be incorporated into the final 373 permit.

Response to Comments and Revisions

1. Comment from US EPA:

Module I, page 5 of 9, sub-section 4, last sentence - The text reads: 'These documents include, but are not limited to, for all ongoing corrective action remedies pertinent to solid waste management units and areas of concern either remediated pursuant to this Permit.' The sentence seems to be missing words regarding what types of documents would be available for the ongoing corrective action remedies. Perhaps you would want to add "reports" after "but not limited to,".

Response:

Module I will be modified to correct the misprint. It will read:

"These documents include, but are not limited to reports, for all ongoing..."

2. Comment from US EPA:

Module I, page 5 of 9, section E, - Due to newly promulgated federal regulations for remediation waste, the management of remediation wastes is more flexible than previously. Thus, instead of relying on CAMUs for the placement of its remediation wastes, the permittee has other options specified in the Phase IV Land Disposal Restriction (LDRs) and in the HWIR rule for contaminated media . We would suggest that the sentence on the LDRs be modified as indicated in bold below:

"The Permittee must comply with all applicable provisions in the current 6NYCRR Part 376 for the land disposal of hazardous waste except for hazardous waste generated by remediation or corrective action activities for the placement in an on-site corrective action management unit (CAMU) approved by the Commissioner, **or other alternate management of remediation waste, as allowed by the Department regulations.**"

Response:

Module I will be amended to incorporate EPA's suggestion. It will read:

"...for the placement in an on-site corrective action management unit (CAMU) approved by the Commissioner, **or other alternate management of remediation waste, as allowed by the Department regulations.**"